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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WATER USERS OF THE SEVIER
RIVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

JANUARY 30, 1967

The annual meeting of the Water Users' of the Sevier River Distribution System and representatives of the State Engineer's Office was held in the Court House, Richfield, Utah Pursuant to call of the State Engineer. The meeting convened at 2:30 P. M.

Members of the Executive Committee of the Sevier River Water Users' Inc.

Lamar Dastrup
James Perkins
Scott Smith
F. Dwight Malmgren
Oswald Johnson
Earl Greathouse
Virg Brown

Sigurd, Utah
Panguitch, Utah
Circleville, Utah
Gunnison, Utah
Delta, Utah
Lynndyle, Utah
Annabella, Utah

Water Commissioners of the Sevier River Distribution System

Keith Christensen
Roger Walker

Richfield, Utah
Delta, Utah

Members from the State Engineers Office

Hubert C. Lambert
Donald Norseth
Frank Reese
Richard Pexton
Earl Staker
Brice Montgomery

State Engineer
Distribution Engineer
Accountant
Accountant
Area office Price, Utah
Area office Salt Lake, Utah

State Engineer Hubert Lambert Called meeting to order, said Mr. Norseth was in charge of distribution and turned meeting over to him.

Mr. Norseth said he was glad to meet with water users. He reported that the latest snow survey showed that higher elevations snow pack was above normal and lower elevations was below normal. Mr. Norseth turned meeting over to Lamar Dastrup Pres. Sevier River Water Users' Inc.

Mr. Dastrup asked Sec. to read minutes of last annual meeting.

Sec read minutes dated January 24, 1966. Motion by James Perkins seconded by Virg Brown to approve minutes as read. Passed

Frank Reese read 1966 Sevier River Distribution System Statement of Financial Balances, Receipts and Expenditures; 1966 budget items and expenditures for Sevier River; 1966 delinquent Water Assessments (as of Dec 31, 1966) for Sevier River. Motion by Dwight Malmgren seconded by Oswald Johnson to approve reports as read. Passed

Oswald Johnson said the reason for delinquent penalty assessments against Delta Canal Co. and Melville Irrigation Co. was that they had informed the State Engineer early in 1966 that no assessment would be paid until annual report is in from River Commissioners, because they were tired of receiving a late report, and they wanted the report to help estimate present year water supply. Mr. Johnson said that assessment was paid as soon as State Engineer said report was completed which was about June 15, 1966. Mr. Lambert said above facts were correct.

Motion by James Perkins seconded by Earl Greathouse that we delete delinquent late collections against Delta Canal Co. and Melville Irrigation Co.

Motion to amend the last motion to remove word delete and put word collect if this was to be a regular practice, motion by Scott Smith. Amendment died for want of a second.

Motion Passed, one no vote

Motion by F. Dwight Malmgren seconded by Virg Brown that if annual report is not in by April 1, 1967 that State Engineer call board together some time ~~first ten days of~~ during first ten days of April resolve matter of late report. Passed

Motion by F. Dwight Malmgren seconded by Oswald Johnson that the following budget for 1967 is recommended to be as follows.

Keith Christensen	\$6,500.00
Matching Social Security	286.00
Matching State Retirement	240.00
Roger Walker	6,000.00
Matching Social Security	264.00
Matching State Retirement	240.00
Gatemen Salaries	1,800.00
Matching Social Security	79.20
Bonds and Insurance Premiums	100.00
Commissioners annual report (1966)	200.00
Office Expense	20.00
Telephone Expense	200.00
Travel Expense	2,200.00
Misc. Expense	100.80
Equipment and Supplies (one new recorder plus \$200.00 to Deseret Irrigation Co. for trade on Clock)	650.00
Sevier River Water Users' Inc. and to pay same to S. R. W. U. Inc.	1,000.00
Special help	450.00
Total	<u>\$20,330.00</u>

Passed

Motion by F. Dwight Malmgren seconded by Oswald Johnson that an assessment be levied against water users in Class I on a basis of acre-feet delivered in 1966 at such a rate as will give an amount of \$19,580.00 and that an assessment of \$750.00 be levied against Class II water. Said Class II assessment is to be levied on a decreed second foot basis, weighted according to water delivery. This would make a total assessment of \$20,330.00. Passed.

Motion by F/ Dwight Malmgren seconded by Earl Greathouse that we as water users' of Sevier River recommend to State Engineer for appointment Keith Christensen of Richfield, Utah at (\$541.67) per month and Roger Walker of Delta, Utah at (\$500.00) per month as commissioners of Sevier River for 1967 operation and they continue in office until such time as a duly qualified successor is officially appointed, Their duties to be equal and divided between them. Passed.

Mr. Lambert said that he accepts the appointment of Keith Christensen and Roger Walker as commissioners for Sevier River and hopes that they get thier reports in on time.

Virg Brown asked Stste Engineer what could be done about some water users' that had been requested for several years to install suitable measuring devices and keeps putting it off. Mr. Lambert said that he would see that measuring devices would be forced to be installed upon recommendation of River Commissioners.

James Perkins brought up matter of assessments saying that water users' in his area That are primary users' and either they use the water or lose it when its available, which doesn't make for very efficient use and all water used stands it's share ~~its share~~ of assessment; therefor they feel that water lost by Reservoir storage should pay equal assessment with water used. Mr. Norseth said that some of the river systems in the State do asses water lose by evaporation equality with water used. 2

Motion by Virg Brown seconded by Oswald Johnson that James Perkins present his views about storage loss and asswasment to the water Users' at the annual water users' meeting to be held Feburary 2, 1967. Passed

adjourned

Lamar T. Dyer Pres.
F. Dwight Malmgren Sec.